

Fannie Morris House
Westmont Neighborhood
105 Fayette Street
Johnstown
Cambria County
Pennsylvania

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Location: 105 Fayette Street, Westmont, Johnstown, Cambria County, Pa.

Description: Spacious, multi-gabled, wood-framed, single-family house sheathed with wood shingles. It has two-and-a-half stories with a brick chimney stack to the rear of the front gable. The hipped-roof porch is almost enclosed with large rectangular columns and high balustrade which are covered with shingles. There is a large projecting bay with three windows inside the porch area on the first floor. Wooden lattice-work is below the porch.

History: Fannie Morris, widow of Galloway C. Morris, purchased this property from the Cambria Iron Company for \$825 on April 8, 1891. She built her house here, on the corner of Fayette Street and Edgehill Drive, sometime before 1895 (according to 1895 tax assessment records).

Sources:

Deed Vol. 80, p. 100 and Vol. 738, p. 437. Cambria County Registry of Deeds, Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg, Pa.

Westmont Borough Tax assessment records for 1895. Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg, Pa.

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This report was prepared by Cheryl Powell in August 1988 under the direction of Alison K. Hoagland, HABS historian, and Kim E. Wallace, the supervisory historian of the project. Powell's and other project historians' work was published as The Character of a Steel Mill City: Four Historic Neighborhoods of Johnstown, Pennsylvania (Washington, D.C.: HABS/HAER, National Park Service, 1989), edited by Kim E. Wallace. Illustrations in the publication include large format photographs taken by HAER photographer Jet Lowe and 35 mm photographs taken by the project historians.